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Congressman Jim Moran
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Dear Jim,

On behalf of the Kurdish Americans throughout the United States, I wanted to tell you how much I appreciate you joining the Kurdish American Caucus. You have always been an extraordinary friend! We are honored to have the benefit of your leadership and experience going forward.

Although this is a brand new Caucus, the following Members have already joined:

Lincoln Davis (D-TN, Co-Chair)
Joe Wilson (R-SC, Co-Chair)
Jim Moran (D-Va)
Chris Shays (R-CN)
Loretta Sanchez (D-CA)
Bob Filner (D-CA)
Marsha Blackburn (R-TN)
Steve Rothman (D-NJ)
Steve Israel (D-NY)
Greg Meeks (D-NY)
Wayne Gilchrest (R-MD)
Joe Sestak (D-PA)

On behalf of all Kurdish Americans throughout the United States, I wanted you to have a copy of the attached book about Kurdistan to give you some feel for its people, its culture, and its genuine efforts towards stability and democracy.

I would also like to invite you to visit the Kurdistan region of Iraq, and would be pleased to accompany you on any future visits there, so that you can see, firsthand, the truly extraordinary ways that the Kurdish people have embraced the opportunities of freedom and democracy to bring peace, tolerance and growing prosperity to the Kurdish people.

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The President of the Kurdistan Region Government (KRG) will be here in September, and I hope to be able to see you at that time. If at any time you are headed to Iraq, it would be my pleasure to send a note to the President of the KRG (and indeed, President Jalal Talabani of Iraq) to let them know you are coming and to make any special arrangements to make your visit a valuable and positive experience.

I want to take this opportunity also to thank you for all that you do for the our Nation and the United States Army. Your service and leadership in these challenging times inspire hope and confidence in the future of our great Democracy. For that, God bless you.

Warm regards,



Joe Reeder

Enclosure